

# Mixing and Blending Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders (51-9023)

**Occupation description:** Set up, operate, or tend machines to mix or blend materials, such as chemicals, tobacco, liquids, color pigments, or explosive ingredients. Excludes "Food Batchmakers" (51-3092).

## Employment and Job Openings

	Average employment			Average annual openings		
	2010 estimate	2020 projection	Percent change	Growth	Replacement	Total
Alaska	38	39	2.6	0	1	1
United States	124,600	121,900	-2.2	0	3,720	3,720

### Job outlook

**Alaska:** Alaska's employment growth is low with low employment opportunities. [Read more.](#)

## 2013 Wages ?

	Mean Wage and 95% Confidence Interval			Wage by Percentile		
	Low	Mean	High	10th	Median	90th
United States	n/a	17.10	n/a	9.94	16.32	25.94

## Labor Force Indicators

### 2012 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
38	7	18.4	14.7	14.7

### 2012 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	26
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	3
UI claimants previously working in occupation	3

### 2012 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	19
Number of job position postings	1
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	19.0

## Typical Entry-level Education, Experience, and/or On-the-job Training

**Education:** High school diploma or equivalent

**Work experience:** None

**On-the-job training:** Moderate-term on-the-job training

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